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the total contamination values specified in appendix D of this part may be released for use in controlled areas outside of radiological areas only under the following conditions:

- (1) Removable surface contamination levels are below the removable surface contamination values specified in appendix D of this part; and
- (2) The material or equipment is routinely monitored and clearly marked or labeled to alert personnel of the contaminated status.

§835.1102 Control of areas.

- (a) Appropriate controls shall be maintained and verified which prevent the inadvertent transfer of removable contamination to locations outside of radiological areas under normal operating conditions.
- (b) Any area in which contamination levels exceed the values specified in appendix D of this part shall be controlled in a manner commensurate with the physical and chemical characteristics of the contaminant, the radionuclides present, and the fixed and removable surface contamination levels.
- (c) Areas accessible to individuals where the measured total surface contamination levels exceed, but the removable surface contamination levels are less than, corresponding surface contamination values specified in appendix D of this part, shall be controlled as follows when located outside of radiological areas:
- (1) The area shall be routinely monitored to ensure the removable surface contamination level remains below the removable surface contamination values specified in appendix D of this part; and
- (2) The area shall be conspicuously marked to warn individuals of the contaminated status.
- (d) Individuals exiting contamination, high contamination, or airborne radioactivity areas shall be monitored, as appropriate, for the presence of surface contamination.
- (e) Protective clothing shall be required for entry to areas in which removable contamination exists at levels exceeding the removable surface contamination values specified in appendix D of this part.

Subpart M—Sealed Radioactive Source Control

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§835.1201 Sealed radioactive source control.

Sealed radioactive sources shall be used, handled, and stored in a manner commensurate with the hazards associated with operations involving the sources.

§ 835.1202 Accountable sealed radioactive sources.

- (a) Each accountable sealed radioactive source shall be inventoried at intervals not to exceed six months. This inventory shall:
- (1) Establish the physical location of each accountable sealed radioactive source;
- (2) Verify the presence and adequacy of associated postings and labels; and
- (3) Establish the adequacy of storage locations, containers, and devices.
- (b) Except for sealed radioactive sources consisting solely of gaseous radioactive material or tritium, each accountable sealed radioactive source shall be subject to a source leak test upon receipt, when damage is suspected, and at intervals not to exceed six months. Source leak tests shall be capable of detecting radioactive material leakage equal to or exceeding $0.005\,\mu\text{Ci}$.
- (c) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (b) of this section, an accountable sealed radioactive source is not subject to periodic source leak testing if that source has been removed from service. Such sources shall be stored in a controlled location, subject to periodic inventory as required by paragraph (a) of this section, and subject to source leak testing prior to being returned to service.
- (d) Notwithstanding the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, an accountable sealed radioactive source is not subject to periodic inventory and source leak testing if that source is located in an area that is unsafe for human entry or otherwise inaccessible.
- (e) An accountable sealed radioactive source found to be leaking radioactive